

Please return to Mrs. Vuong ASAP. This information will be used for academic conferences this Spring.

## Parent Insights

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's email: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's email: \_\_\_\_\_

*I. One of the most important responsibilities of the college counselor is submitting well-written, insightful letters of recommendation for seniors. These reports will show each student in as full and as favorable light as possible. To aid in completing these reports, please take time to candidly respond to questions below. Your insight from the "home front" can really lend substance and life to any description of your child's personality and character.*

*On a separate piece of paper, please write a recommendation for your senior. Please note any examples of leadership, commitment, talent, etc., that set your child apart from other applicants. Also, where appropriate, please note any special circumstance that may have affected your child's performance in high school. Specific anecdotes are particularly helpful. Perhaps the following questions will help prompt some thoughts as you construct your letter. Thank you for the time and effort that you invested in this.*

- ❖ Describe one incident that illustrates a quality in your child which you are most proud.
- ❖ Choose two or three adjectives to describe your child and give one specific anecdote to support each adjective.
- ❖ Describe personal interests that may not otherwise be reported, i.e., avid interest in reading outside of school, athletic abilities, community service, etc., that gives us a clearer picture of your child's character.
- ❖ Assess your child's strength and weaknesses.
- ❖ Write a letter to your child's kindergarten teacher in which you describe all the changes he or she has undergone over the years.
- ❖ Are there any special considerations, which will affect the decision where your child applies to college (cost, distance from home, challenging academic environment, per-professional programs, athletics, etc.)?

### Adjective List

able	dependable	logical	reliable
accepting	determined	loving	religious
adaptable	disciplined	mature	reserved
ambitious	earnest	modest	responsible
assertive	efficient	naïve	self-accepting
brave	energetic	observant	self-conscious
calm	fair	organized	sensible
capable	friendly	patient	sensitive
carefree	generous	perceptive	serious
caring	giving	perfectionist	shy
cheerful	happy	persuasive	sociable
clever	helpful	playful	spontaneous
compassionate	honorable	pragmatic	tenacious
competitive	idealistic	precise	thoughtful
complex	imaginative	principled	trusting
conscientious	independent	progressive	trustworthy
conservative	industrious	questioning	unassuming
confident	innovative	quiet	understanding
conforming	intense	rational	unpredictable
courageous	involved	realistic	wise
creative	kind	reasonable	witty
cynical	liberal	reflective	zestful

II. *We are interested in knowing about any preferences you may have regarding college choice.*

What three characteristics do you hope your child's college or university will offer?

What three things do you hope your child gains from his/her college experience?

Please list the colleges which you have a preliminary interest:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

YES NO We would like to represent our Alma mater if you need a representative to speak about a college that we attended. Please indicate college(s)/university(ies): \_\_\_\_\_

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YES NO We would like to attend field trips to college fairs or help with any university tours throughout the school year.